

REMARKS

These remarks are responsive to the Final Office Action (Office Action) of July 1, 2009. Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowance of claims 37-43 and 45-47, and for the indication of allowable subject matter in claim 54 which has been incorporated into claim 49 as described below. Claims 48 and 49 have been amended. No new matter is introduced. Claims 50-56 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer to expedite allowance. Claims 37-43 and 45-49 remain pending in the application. Entry of the amendments and favorable reconsideration with a view towards allowance of the instant application are respectfully requested. The claim amendments are addressed below.

Dependent claim 48 has been amended to correct the typographical error and overcome the objection to reference of claim 37 for lack of antecedent basis. Claim 48 now properly depends from allowed claim 47. Allowance of claim 48 is respectfully requested.

Claim 54 was objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim (i.e. independent claim 49) and any intervening claims (i.e. claims 52 and 53). In lieu of revising claim 54, for convenience, claim 49 has instead been amended to include the limitations of claims 52-54 therefore satisfying the Examiner's requirement. Allowance of claim 49 is therefore respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully submitted that this application is now in condition for allowance. If there are any remaining issues, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the Applicant's undersigned representative by phone. If any additional fees are required or if an overpayment has been made, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or credit Deposit Account No. 03-2455.

Respectfully submitted,
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